COMPONENTS: 1. Potassium pyrosulfite; K₂S₂O₅; [16731-55-8] 2. Water; H₂O: [7732-18-5] EVALUATOR: Mary R. Masson, Dept. of Chemistry, University of Aberdeen, Meston Walk, Old Aberdeen, AB9 2UE, Scotland, UK.

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CRITICAL EVALUATION:

There are two sets of data for this system (1,2), although one set is reported in terms of KHSO $_3$, and had to be converted for purposes of comparison (2). However, the two sets of data are not in agreement. The first set (1) gives the regression equation

$$y = 22.12 + 0.472(T - 273.2) - 0.00124(T - 273.2)^2$$
 $s = 0.14$ (25 pts)

and the second set (2) gives the equation

$$y = 25.1 + 0.255(T - 273.2)$$
 $s = 0.72$ (11 pts)

where y = 100w is the solubility expressed as mass % of $K_2S_2O_5$, T is the temperature in K and s is the standard deviation of the dependent variable about the regression line.

There is no obvious reason for the differences; the data of Foerster et al. are more self-consistent, and therefore probably to be preferred.

TENTATIVE SOLUBILITIES

The following tentative solubility values were calculated from the regression equation.

T/K	Solubility	
	mass%	molality mol/kg
273.2	22.12	1.278
298.2	33.15	2.230
323.2	42.62	3.341
348.2	50.55	4.598
363.2	54.6	5.409

Foerster (1) also reports data for equilibrium with ice and with ${\rm K_2S_2O_5.2/3H_2O}$ [91498-98-5]. The regression equations are as follows:

$$(T - 273.15) = -0.00051 - 0.294y + 0.00223y^2 - 0.0000972y^3$$
 $s = 0.023$ (13 pts)

or

Ice -

$$y = -0.00230 - 3.40(T - 273.2) + 0.0923(T - 273.2)^2 + 0.0141(T - 273.2)^3$$

 $s = 0.077 (13 pts)$

 $K_2S_2O_5.2/3H_2O -$

$$y = 21.8 + 0.600(T - 273.2) - 0.00806(T - 273.2)^2 + 0.0003252(T - 273.2)^3$$

 $s = 0.089 (13 pts)$

where the symbols have the same meanings as above.

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CRITICAL EVALUATION: (continued)

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